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## VILLA LEAVES ZAPATA RULER IN MEXICO CITY; QUITS VICINITY

Departure to Huichapan, 100 Miles Away, Unexpected. May Indicate Break Between Rival Leaders.

Commander of Troops at Tampico Repudiates Carranza, and Will Hand Over Port to "Convention" Faction.

EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 28.—Gen. Francisco Villa, commander-in-chief of the Mexican convention forces, has left Tula, a short distance from Mexico City, and has gone to Huichapan, in Hidalgo state, 100 miles away. Villa's officials at Juarez declined to explain this movement, although they had official messages announcing it.

There are unconfirmed rumors that Villa has had a disagreement with General Zapata, and that this caused him to leave the immediate vicinity of the capital. Several trainloads of Villa's troops, commanded by Col. Carlos Dominguez, already have joined the Zapatistas in the capital, however, which would seem to discredit the report.

**Zapata Holds Capital.**

No reports of conditions in Mexico City have been wired to the border. General Carranza, one of Zapata's subordinates, commands there.

Guadalupe, second city in importance in Mexico, has been captured by Villa's troops under command of Gen. Felipe Angeles. Official messages from Angeles today, dated Guadalupe, said the Carranzistas under Gen. Miguel Diez had fled westward, and that a few had deserted to Villa.

General Zapata yesterday captured Toluca, capital of the State of Mexico, from a Carranzista force under Governor General Medina. The Carranzistas fled at Zapata's approach. This places Zapata within a few hours' ride of Mexico City with his main force.

**Repudiates Carranza.**

Gen. Luis Caballero, after a short conference with Gen. Alberto Carrera Torres, of the Villista forces at Toluca, has announced by his repudiation of Carranza and his allegiance to the Aguas Calientes government, according to dispatches today. He is said to be arranging the transfer of the port of Tampico to the convention forces and expects to turn over the whole state of Tamaulipas, of which he is military governor.

Provisional President Gutierrez and his party will join General Villa at Huichapan at once.

## Old Madero Congress Will Rule in Mexico

Reports from Mexico City today show that the permanent committee of the Aguas Calientes convention intends calling congress to meet in the near future.

Ever delegate to the congress who served under the regime of Carranza is eligible to sit. By this action, which is stated in the dispatches, the Aguas Calientes convention will establish a semblance of permanent government and immediately be established in the Mexican capital.

And with it as a nucleus, the convention regime would be in a position to appeal to the United States and the A. C. powers for recognition.

At Orizaba, sixty miles from Vera Cruz, and twice the distance from Mexico City, Lucio Blanco and Obregon, two generals still loyal to the former chief, have been tried on charges which must be overcome by Villa before the latter attacks Vera Cruz. They are looked for to a better resolution.

Villa, according to reports reaching here, has been spending the time at Tula, twenty miles from Mexico City, in reorganizing his army. He has, however, sent a force of cavalry under Gen. Eugenio Aguirre to Vera Cruz, and the city is said to be planning to proceed to the capital tonight.

The state department announced this morning the receipt of a dispatch from the Brazilian minister at Mexico City, stating that the only disturbances which had occurred in the capital had been of a "sporadic character," and had been promptly put down by the forces of Carranza.

**Carranza's Position Weak.**

Despite the fact that Carranza is in control of Vera Cruz, the belief is growing here that he must make material concessions to the other revolutionary factions in Mexico or face annihilation.

The election of Gen. Luis Caballero, who commands in the state of Tamaulipas, is a serious blow. His action in appointing that officer into the state of Tamaulipas will not only weaken Carranza's position but will be a step toward the formation of a "convention" government, and will be a step toward the formation of a "convention" government, and will be a step toward the formation of a "convention" government.

**Herrick Leaves Paris in Stately Manner**

PARIS, Nov. 28.—In a special car provided by the French Government, Myron T. Herrick is en route to Havre today. With members of his family, Herrick will sail from there for New York.

## Germans Retiring Upon Belgian Coast; Allies Near Ostend

Zeebrugge Shelled by Allied Fleet, While British and French Aviators Circle Over Flanders With Impunity—Kaiser's Forces Concentrating Upon Antwerp as Base—Fate of Invaders' Submarines Not Known.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The Germans are withdrawing from the Belgian coast and concentrating at Antwerp, according to a Rotterdam dispatch to the Daily Mail today.

Heavy gun fire was heard at Zeebrugge, fifteen miles east of Ostend, Friday afternoon, the dispatch states. The allied warships were apparently again bombarding the German naval base.

French and British aeroplanes are now circling Flanders with impunity. The German guns especially designed for attacks upon aircraft have been unable to hit the allied fliers.

A Central News dispatch from Flanders says that, as a consequence of the bombardment of Zeebrugge by the British battleships, the allies have been able to push forward to the outskirts of Ostend, encountering on the way only small detachments of the enemy. Their progress was covered by the guns of the warships, and they could occupy the town of Ostend if they chose. Circumstantial reports are current that the Germans are retiring in West Flanders.

### GERMANS ABANDON OFFENSIVE.

A dispatch to the Standard from Northern France says:

"There are very strong indications that the fresh attempt by the Germans to force their way to Calais by turning and piercing our left wing has been abandoned almost as soon as begun. This can mean one thing only, the immediate retirement of the Germans in West Flanders."

The Allies have maintained their line intact from the North Sea to Switzerland. They are stronger at almost every point than ever before, with mobile reinforcements ready for emergency and with excellent railway services to every important position. The Germans have hurled enormous forces upon the northern portion of the Allies' line during the last six weeks and have been repeatedly repulsed. Worst of all, it has been impossible to conceal the truth from the German soldiers, whose faith in the invincibility of the German machine is shaken, if not shattered. Broken faith in the war lord means divided councils and unsteady morale for German officers and men alike.

The proudest man in Europe this morning is the heroic King Albert of Belgium. At last, after weeks of anxiety, he sees the Germans about to retreat, balked of the immediate triumph on which they counted as a foregone achievement, the conquest of Belgium.

## German Taube Brought Down With Three Aviators

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Report of a German aeroplane, which was shot down from the air in the official communications of the Allies today. The French guns brought down the German craft, a biplane.

On the northern front the German artillery remained inactive during yesterday, the communiques states. It was calm all along the line of France.

The communiques says:

"On the north there was less activity of the German artillery. On the other hand, our infantry attack was repulsed. Our guns brought down a German biplane. It carried three men, one of whom was killed, and the two others captured."

"A German Taube, flying along the line in the Champagne and Alsace regions, was brought down by our artillery. The machine was shot down, and the aviators were killed or captured."

## CONFESSION ENDS ROBBERY MYSTERY ARRESTS POINT TO DAFF MURDER RING

Officials Declare Jesse Lancaster Admits Entering Rockville Store.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Nov. 28.—Following an investigation of several weeks on the disappearance of railway supplies, Jesse Lancaster, colored, forty-six, confessed his guilt, according to Sheriff W. Z. Postoffice Inspector Farrell and Captain Selby, of the Baltimore and Ohio detective force, who arrested him today.

He was arrested on a farm five miles away on the charge of robbing Ward's store at Rockville. It is possible that he may be held on other charges.

Sheriff Whelan and Postoffice Inspectors are being commended for their activity in attempting to solve the mystery surrounding a series of robberies in this county.

## Garment Workers' Union Organizer Killed in Dark

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 28.—Three photo freed from darkness brought instant death to Leo Oddo, organizer for the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (I.L.G.W.U.).

Oddo is believed the victim of "Black Hand" members. Neighborhood residents refused to discuss the killing, but a friend of the victim admitted knowledge that Oddo had been threatened.

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## BOND BUYERS OUT; SELLERS NOT ANXIOUS ON EXCHANGE

Sales on Opening Day Amount Only to \$648,000—Continuation of Dealing on Monday Seems Assured.

Transactions Today in Small Lots Under Restricted Trading—Activity on the Buying Side.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The continuation of bond dealing on the stock exchange floor was practically assured today at the close of the experimental session. The transactions today were mostly in small lots with the greater portion of the activity on the buying side.

The close showed sales amounting to \$648,000 as compared to \$2,098,000 at the close on July 30, and \$1,637,000 July 29.

Widespread interest was manifested in the opening. Trading was in bonds only and under restrictions. Fear that the experiment would be put in a bad light by a general rush of bondholders to sell was entirely dissipated.

The first quotation showed Treasury Securities 5 1/2's up 1/2 points over the close of July 30. United States Steel 5's were quoted at 99 1/2, off 1/4.

**Minimum Price Set.**

The rule against trading in stocks was strictly enforced. The opening bore little resemblance to the old scenes with trading in stocks, despite the fact that the whole floor was open for use. Only a small section along the Broad street side, known as the bond platform, was filled with bondholders. It was an unusually large number gathered.

The governors of the exchange did not even let out a whisper of what the opening minimum trading prices would be. As the ring sounded, a wild cheer went up from the men who have been waiting about Wall Street since the last of July.

Despite the fact that the opening is sure to be a success, the brokers are confident that the normal business in stocks will soon be resumed.

Whether the exchange remains open depends upon the results of today's experiment. If nothing happens to disturb business conditions, the governors of the exchange will gradually let down the restrictions.

**Rules Are Simple.**

The rules governing trading today were simple. The board established minimum quotations, under which the dealers were not allowed to bid. The minimum prices may be changed from time to time, but it is believed after today, the real conditions will be determined and prices fixed accordingly.

The general feeling on the floor was optimistic, the belief being expressed that the exchange would be open again Monday for bond selling.

There was no indication of pressure to sell, but the demand for bonds seemed in excess of the supply of bonds offered.

The bid and asked prices of United States government bonds were lower, being influenced by the impression that demand for them might be reduced on account of the inauguration of the Federal reserve system, and the consequent possibility of buying by national banks a large lot of bonds. There was a sale of registered bonds at 100, a decline of 1/4 from the closing bid on July 29.

**Some Show Advance.**

While the majority of the bonds traded in were slightly off from the closing prices of July 29, several issues showed an advance. For example, the 5 1/2's sold at 99 1/2, the 5's at 99, and the 4 1/2's at 98 1/2, with the demand apparently strong for the 5 1/2's and 5's.

Chicago, New York and Pacific 7's, which were very weak for some time prior to the closing of the exchange, selling at 100, but today, were up 1/4 point. Bethlehem Steel Corporation, which had been selling at 100, showed an advance of 1/4 point, at 100 1/4.

## ARMY-NAVY TEAMS GRIPPED IN BATTLE

Thousands Fill Franklin Field as Middies and Cadets March in Parade.

FRANKLIN FIELD, PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 28.—Army and Navy here today before a brilliant audience that, as usual, shared honors with the game. The parade began at 1:30, when the Middies marched on the field in battalion formation to stirring band music.

After a few exhibition evolutions the Middies packed themselves into the north stand, while the band played a series of musical songs of which "March," "Columbia," "Maryland," and "Columbia" were the predominating ones.

The West Pointers marched on a moment later with a very much similar band, the official government band, and any Newport directory.

No international polo match, Madison Square Garden Horse Show nor Metropolitan Opera opening ever drew a classier crowd than that which climbed into the 22,150 hard board seats today.

It was far from equal to the Harvard crowd in size, but there was quite a bit more class so-called per capita.

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## Flier Carries Postcards From Besieged Fortress

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 28.—"AII is going well. Have no anxiety," is the message received from the beleaguered Fort of IJmuiden, reports from Vienna state today.

A German Taube carried post cards bearing the message from IJmuiden to the nearest field postoffice in Gdansk, from which they were mailed.

## German Bombs Damage Houses in Dunkirk

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 28.—Numerous houses in Dunkirk have been damaged by bombs dropped from German aeroplanes. It is reported here today that one man has been struck by a bomb. Several other houses are reported to have been damaged by the bombs.

## Seek Proving Ground Job.

A number of applicants for the position of ammunition manufacturing attendant at the Indian Head, Md., proving ground appeared before examiners at the proving ground today. The examiners will take the civil service examination from which an eligible list for the place will be obtained.

# THREE ARMY CORPS CAUGHT BY RUSSIAN FORCES IN POLAND

## GERMAN PRISONERS AND THEIR CAPTORS



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## U. S. Gives Market Site To Cut High Living Cost

A Assistant Secretary of the Treasury today started a unique experiment to cut down the cost of living.

The first step was to grant permission to the city of New York to use the large plot of ground in the center of the city, owned by the Government as a site for a market building, for a free city market.

## To Move P. O. Branch.

Station C of the City Postoffice will be transferred from 119 G street north-west to new quarters, at 125 New York avenue northwest this evening.

The move will begin immediately upon the close of business for the day, and the station will open Monday morning in new quarters.

## 29 Hurt in Wreck.

MEXICO, Mo., Nov. 28.—Twenty-nine injured are in the hospital here or are accounted for, and several others are known to have been hurt when the Burlington-Alton "dawnlight" fleet, the 10:30 train of the road between Kansas City and St. Louis, left the rails near Clark, Mo.

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## CAPTURE OF 40,000 GERMANS AFTER ROUT REPORTED

Desperate Counter Attack Made in Brzeziny-Strykow Region to Effect Escape.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Three German army corps are now practically surrounded in the Brzeziny-Strykow region in Poland, one corps has been captured and another routed, according to a Petrograd dispatch to the Matin today. The dispatch says:

It has been learned on the highest authority that the German losses are considerably more than one army corps in men who have been captured.

Another corps has been routed and three corps are now practically surrounded in the Brzeziny-Strykow region. They are subjected to heavy fire from cannon and quickfiring. Two corps are making a desperate attack in an effort to gain their release, but it is believed only an infinitesimal minority will be able to escape.

## Russians Hurl Masses On Germans in Trap

PETROGRAD, Nov. 28.—Russian forces are now vigorously assailing the Germans entrenched in the vicinity of Lodz, Zdzienka, and Wola.

This is the district in which unofficial dispatches insist a large detachment of the army of General Von Hindenburg has been virtually surrounded and is in danger of destruction or capture. A desperate battle is raging.

An official statement today, based upon a report received from Grand Duke Nicholas, of the operations in Poland, tells of the fighting along the vast Polish front.

The Germans, who advanced along the Vistula by way of Plock, have been thrown back within ten miles of that town, which is fifty-four miles from Warsaw.

The report from the grand duke sets up no claims of the rout of the German forces, except upon the southern end of the battle line, where the Austro-German army is declared to be retreating toward Cracow in great disorder. The Russians are vigorously pursuing the retreating forces.

In all, more than 6,000 prisoners have been taken by the Russian army and many guns have been captured. It is evident that the most desperate fighting has marked the engagements along the entire line, the statement frequently referring to the use of the bayonet in driving out the Germans.

The official Army Messenger makes the following announcement:

The Russian troops have redoubled their offensive. An entire German corps surrendered when cut off from the main army in Poland. The corps has been surrounded and is expected to have to surrender.

Four thousand prisoners were taken.

The terrific losses suffered by the Germans have caused them to weaken in their offensive, though they have rushed up great numbers of reinforcements. It is expected that formal announcement of a complete and overwhelming victory in Poland will be made by the Grand Duke Nicholas within a short time.

Our successes continue in Galicia and Russian troops have wounded several thousand prisoners.

A telegram from Warsaw states that three trains filled with wounded Germans have reached that city. Among them are ninety women.

The town of Sieradz, a manufacturing town of 25,000 inhabitants, six miles northeast of Lodz, was destroyed during the recent fighting. The Germans during the last few days have been bombarding Mlawo with great energy.

The official statement declares:

The Russians are advancing on the left bank of the Vistula and have reached Gdansk. In the center, the town of Brzeziny and villages in the valley have been occupied. The Germans have been expelled at the point of the bayonet. Between Brzeziny and Gdansk, the Russian army has successfully attacked the German infantry, capturing guns and a number of prisoners.

In the district of Zdzienka, Zdzienka and Wola, the Germans retain their trenches but are being vigorously assailed by the Russians. From the Cracow-Czestochowa-Cracow front, the Russian success is becoming more and more definite.

Four thousand prisoners were taken on Thursday in successful attacks in the region of Lower Thronawa where a battalion of the thirty-third Honveds was captured. The Russians occupied a strongly fortified position on the left bank of the Raba.

The Austrians stubbornly defended Bochnia, but it was taken at the bayonet point. 2,500 prisoners and guns being captured.

On the right bank of the Vistula

## ADJOURN INQUEST ON BULWARK VICTIMS

Investigation Sidetracked Until December 16 Pending Probe by Admiralty.

CHATHAM, Nov. 28.—The inquest into the deaths of the 800 men who were lost when the battleship Bulwark was blown up on Shortness, was adjourned today until December 16, pending the admiralty inquiry into the disaster.

An adjournment was taken after the formal identification of bodies which have been recovered.

## Bigamy Charge May Be Filed Against Kenyon

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 28.—When Robert D. Kenyon, alias Kennedy, of Washington, who was arrested here on a warrant from Washington, charging wife abandonment and desertion was arraigned today he faced the charge of bigamy.

The woman, isolated at police headquarters until word from Washington is received. She may be taken to that city as a witness against Kenyon, who may be charged with bigamy.

## Italy Still Firm on Its Neutrality Stand

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The Exchange Telegraph Company today declares it has been learned from a diplomatic source that Italy will observe strict neutrality so long as circumstances will permit.

## "Christmas Ship" Sails For Port of Marseilles

DEVONPORT, England, Nov. 28.—The "Christmas ship" Jason sailed from Devonport for Marseilles today, where the gifts of American children for those of France will be deposited. A heavy rain was falling when the "Christmas ship" sailed, and there was no farewell demonstration.

## Federal Reserve Banks Show Decided Increase

The resources of the Federal reserve banks have increased \$2,550,000 this week, Secretary Williams, of the board, announced this afternoon, the total resources being \$270,015,000.